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27.1 DESCRIPTION

The NAQ transaction enables users to check a vehicle identification number (VIN) against multiple databases with a single transaction. This function is an invaluable tool for the investigation of auto theft; this service is provided by the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB).

See Appendix A, Section 27.0 for XML vehicle registration formats and examples.

See Appendix B, Section 27.0 for Native vehicle registration formats and examples.

27.1.1 NICB BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), formerly NATB, is a crime prevention organization assisting law enforcement in the prevention, detection, and prosecution of the financial crimes of theft, fraud, and arson relating to personal property.

NICB maintains Divisional Offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, New York City and Los Angeles. Branch offices are located in Boston, Detroit and Houston. Each office can be reached directly via Nlets. The Eastern and Western Division Offices are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for urgent inquiries.

NICB resources include a staff of strategically located special agents available to assist law enforcement in matters related to theft, fraud, and arson.

- Each special agent is always on call to provide assistance to law enforcement in the identification of vehicles under investigation.
- Special agents are highly qualified investigators and experts in identifying vehicles on which identifying numbers have been removed, changed, altered, or obliterated.
- Special agents participate in training programs for law enforcement officers charged with the responsibility of theft, fraud, and arson investigations.

NICB publishes manuals and software for assisting law enforcement in the investigation of the financial crimes of theft, fraud, and arson.

VINASSIST is a personal computer based software package that assists VIN users in detecting and correcting VIN errors. Once a VIN has been corrected with VINASSIST, checking NICB's assembly and shipping records can verify it for accuracy. VINASSIST is available free of charge for directing requests via Nlets to NICB's Information Systems Division.

NICB maintains a rapidly expanding national and international index of more than 250 million records related to vehicles including manufacturer's shipping and assembly, vehicles imported and exported, thefts, impounds, salvage, auction, pre-inspection, vehicle claim, rental, theft, theft (recovery) and NCIC/CPIC cancels.

To track a motor vehicle's complete life cycle from birth to death, the database is designed to include vehicle liability, physical damage, and related homeowner claims. NICB files include data on passenger vehicles, multipurpose vehicles, trucks, trailers, motorcycles, snowmobiles, construction and farm equipment, boats, and uniquely identifiable parts.

NICB and NCIC Stolen Vehicle Entries

NICB has a mirror image of NCIC's stolen vehicle file. Every stolen vehicle entered on NCIC will be passed to NICB by NCIC. NICB will enter this record on their file and interrogate Impound (last 60 days entries), Export, Auction and International Index Files.

If a VIN match is made, the following message will be forwarded via Nlets ("AM" message) to the entering agency:

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT THE VEHICLE YOU ENTERED INTO NCIC, VIN/12345671234567890, IS IN THE NICB DATABASE. BELOW IS THE NICB RELATED VEHICLE RECORD. THIS MAY ASSIST YOU WITH ANY FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION.
(followed by matching NICB record)

NCIB publishes various manuals; they include the following:

Manual	Description
Passenger Vehicle Identification Manual	Furnishes identification techniques for motor vehicles, engines, and transmissions, in addition to a brief summary of vehicle and marine laws and regulations.
Commercial Vehicle Identification Manual	Covers truck tractors, light-duty trucks, diesel engines, commercial trailer, recreational vehicles, farm, construction, and off-road equipment.
VIN Location Pocket Guide	A quick reference to be carried by field personnel.
NICB Annual Report.	Monitors trends in vehicle theft and fraud.

Each publication is available free of charge to law enforcement agencies. For more information direct requests via Nlets to your local NICB region Office.

27.2 MESSAGE KEYS

INQUIRY

NIQ	Impound / Export File Query
NAQ	Registration Query by name

ENTRY

NEI	Enter impound record
NUI	Update impound record
NCI	Cancel impound record

27.2.1 DATA BASES CHECKED

Using a combination of the NIQ and NAQ transactions, the following databases are checked:

Impound file	Pre-Inspection File
Export File	Vehicle Claim File
Manufacturer's Shipping File	Rental File
Salvage File	Theft File
International Index File	Theft (recovery) File
Auction File	NCIC/CPIC Canceled File
The National Vehicle service (NVS	

The NVS provides access to lien holder, auction, and the Mexican equivalent of NICB (OCRA) data.

27.3 DESTINATION LIMITATIONS

NIQ Destination code must be "NA"
NAQ Destination code must be "NA"
NEI Destination code must be "NA"
NUI Destination code must be "NA"
NCI Destination code must be "NA"

27.4 NICB QUERY DATA ELEMENTS

27.4.1 NIQ DATA ELEMENTS

The NIQ transaction checks the NICB Impound and Export Files only. Responses indicate the vehicle that is subject of the query has been impounded, but does not tell whether or not the vehicle was claimed or remains on the lot. Records will only be returned if the query date is less than 60 days from the date of impound.

The following are mandatory query data elements:

Field	MFC
Message key	None
ORI of requesting agency	None
Destination	None
Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message	TXT
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)	VIN/

27.4.1.1 NIQ INQUIRY FORMAT

NIQ•ORI•NA•TXT VIN/_____

 Mandatory fields

 Optional fields

27.4.1.2 NIQ INQUIRY - EXAMPLE

NIQ.AL0260200.NA.TXT VIN/JT3AC11R0P1999999

27.4.1.2.1 NIQ RESPONSE - EXAMPLE

Impound File Response

NIR/NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
IMPOUND
ORI OF IMPOUNDING AGENCY/ XXXXXXXXXX CASE #/ XXXXXXXXXX
DATE OF IMPOUND/ XX/XX/XX **POUND/**XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
VMA/ XXXX **VMO/** XXX **VYR/** XX **VST/** XX **LIC/** XXXXXXXXXX
LIS/ XX **LIY/** XX **LIT/** XX
MISC/ XX
POUND INV #/ XXXXXXXXXXXXX **POUND PHONE #/** XXXXXXXXXXXX
NY DERELICT/ X

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
ORI OF IMPOUNDING AGENCY/	The nine digit identifier for the place of recovery/impound.
CASE #/	Case number assigned by the law enforcement agency that holds the theft report.
DATE OF IMPOUND/	Date of recovery/impound (mm/dd/yy or ccyymmdd).
POUND/	Name of impounding lot.
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
VMO/	The vehicle model of impounded vehicle.
VYR/	Last two or four digits of the model year of the vehicle.
VST/	The vehicle type as encoded in NICB tables.
LIC/	License number of impounded vehicle.
LIS/	The state in which the vehicle is licensed.
LIY/	The license year.
LIT/	The type of license issued.
MISC/	Miscellaneous information
POUND INV #/	Invoice number assigned by the impounding agency.
POUND PHONE/	The phone number of the impounding lot.
NY DERELICT/	Indicates whether or not the vehicle was impounded under the New York Derelict program.

Export File Response

NIR/NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
EXPORT
VYR/ XX VMA/ XX DATE OF EXPORT/ XX/XX/XX
DESTINATION/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
VYR/	Last two or four digits of the model year of the vehicle.
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
DATE OF EXPORT/	Date of export (mm/dd/yy or ccyymmdd).
DESTINATION/	Destination of export.

27.4.2 NAQ DATA ELEMENTS



The NAQ transaction checks all files, with one exception if the query is made using a partial VIN, only the Manufacturers Shipping File will be checked.

The following are mandatory query data elements:

Field	MFC
Message key	None
ORI of requesting agency	None
Destination	None
Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message	TXT
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)	VIN/

27.4.2.1 NAQ INQUIRY FORMAT

NAQ•ORI•NA•TXT VIN/_____

 Mandatory fields
 Optional fields

27.4.2.2 NAQ INQUIRY - EXAMPLES

NAQ WITH COMPLETE VIN

NAQ.AL0260200.NA.TXT VIN/JT3AC11R0P1999999

NAQ WITH PARTIAL VIN – USING “95” AS THE VEHICLE YEAR

NAQ.AL0260200.NA.TXT VIN/PARTIAL0P1999995

If NICB has no information for a particular field, the field header will not appear on the response.

27.4.2.2.1 NAQ RESPONSE - EXAMPLES

If NICB has no information for a particular field, the field header will not appear on the response.

Manufacturer's Shipping File Response

NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
SHIPPING
STATUS/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX **DATE/** XX/XX/XX
DEALER NAME/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
DEALER CODE/ XXXXXXXX **DEALER CITY, STATE/** XXXXXXXXXXXXX
PHONE/ XXXXXXXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

STATU CONDITION	DEFINITION
UNDEFINED	The situation about the vehicle or VIN plate is not clearly defined.
UNUSED	The VIN plate and its embossed or stamped number will not be installed or assigned to a vehicle.
STOLEN FROM LOT	The vehicle was stolen from a factory or dealer lot.
DESTROYED	The vehicle has been completely destroyed.
SCRAPPED	The vehicle is unusable.
INCORRECT	The VIN number found on the vehicle is incorrect. This number does not conform to the Federal Motor Vehicle Standard.
STAMPING ERROR	Hidden numbers found on the vehicle, i.e., engine, transmission and/or chassis numbers are not correct. This situation relates to domestic built vehicles which denote a VIN derivative stamped, embossed, or labeled on component parts.
STOLEN PLATE	Manufacturer advises that only the VIN plate was stolen.
FLOOD DAMAGED	The vehicle has had water damage and is not to be sold.
UNSCRAPPED	The vehicle previously reported as a scrapped vehicle has been repaired and is being sold.
FIRE DAMAGED	The vehicle is reported as having fire damage and is not to be sold.
REPLACEMENT	<u>Replacement VIN plate</u> - The vehicle's original VIN plate was damaged or is missing and a replacement plate was issued by the manufacturer. <u>Replacement Parts</u> - The vehicle's component part has been replaced and the part has a new number.
DONATED VEHICLE	The vehicle was donated and removed from commerce.
TEST VEHICLE	The vehicle is used for testing purposes and is not to be sold.
DATE	The date in which the vehicle was shipped (mm/dd/yy or ccyyymmdd).
DEALER NAME	The name of the dealership that the vehicle was shipped to.
DEALER CODE	The dealer code supplied by the dealer.
DEALER CITY, STATE	The city and state where the dealer is located.
PHONE	The phone number for the dealer.

Salvage File Response

NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
SALVAGE
VYR/ XX VMA/ XX DATE OF SALVAGE/ XX/XX/XX
CAUSE OF CLAIM/LOSS/ XXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY ADDRESS/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX,XX
INSURANCE COMPANY PHONE/ XXXXXXXXXX
CLAIM #/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX ACTUAL CASH VALUE/ XXXXXX
RECEIVED VALUE/ XXXXXX APPRAISED VALUE/ XXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
VYR/	The last two digits of the model year of the vehicle.
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
DATE OF SALVAGE/	Date of salvage (mm/dd/yy or ccyymmdd).
CAUSE OF CLAIM/LOSS/	Cause of claim or loss.
INSURANCE COMPANY/	Name of insurance company.
INSURANCE COMPANY ADDRESS/	City and state where insurance company is located.
INSURANCE COMPANY PHONE/	Phone number of insurance company.
CLAIM #/	Claim number of insurance company.
ACTUAL CASH VALUE/	Actual cash value prior to loss.
RECEIVED VALUE/	Dollar amount insured received for loss.
APPRAISED VALUE/	Appraised value at the time of loss.

Impound File Response

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NIR/NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
*IMPOUND*
    ORI OF IMPOUNDING AGENCY/ XXXXXXXXXX CASE #/ XXXXXXXXXX
    DATE OF IMPOUND/ XX/XX/XX POUND/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
VMA/ XXXX VMO/ XXX VYR/ XX VST/ XX LIC/ XXXXXXXXXX
LIS/ XX LIY/ XX LIT/ XX
MISC/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
POUND INV #/ XXXXXXXXXXXXX POUND PHONE #/ XXXXXXXXXX
NY DERELICT/ X
```

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
ORI OF IMPOUNDING AGENCY/	The nine digit identifier for the place of recovery/impound.
CASE #/	Case number assigned by the law enforcement agency that holds the theft report.
DATE OF IMPOUND/	Date of recovery/impound (mm/dd/yy or ccyyymmdd).
POUND/	Name of impounding lot.
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
VMO/	The vehicle model of impounded vehicle.
VYR/	Last two or four digits of the model year of the vehicle.
VST/	The vehicle type as encoded in NICB tables.
LIC/	License number of impounded vehicle.
LIS/	The state in which the vehicle is licensed.
LIY/	The license year.
LIT/	The type of license issued.
MISC/	Miscellaneous information
POUND INV #/	Invoice number assigned by the impounding agency.
POUND PHONE/	The phone number of the impounding lot.
NY DERELICT/	Indicates whether or not the vehicle was impounded under the New York Derelict program.

Export File Response

NIR/NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
EXPORT
VYR/ XX VMA/ XX DATE OF EXPORT/ XX/XX/XX
DESTINATION/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
VYR/	Last two or four digits of the model year of the vehicle.
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
DATE OF EXPORT/	Date of export (mm/dd/yy or ccyymmdd).
DESTINATION/	Destination of export.

International Index Response

Sample response for an International Index Theft:

NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
INTERNATIONAL THEFT
VYR/ XX VMA/ XX DATE OF THEFT/ XX/XX/XX FILNR/XXXXXXXXXX
OWNER/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Sample response for an International Index Salvage:

NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
INTERNATIONAL SALVAGE
VYR/ XX VMA/ XX DATE OF SALVAGE/ XX/XX/XX FILNR/XXXXXXXXXX
OWNER/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
VYR/	Last two digits of the model year of the vehicle.
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
DATE OF THEFT/	Date of theft (mm/dd/yy or ccyymmdd).
DATE OF SALVAGE/	Date of salvage (mm/dd/yy or ccyymmdd).
FILNR/	Unique file number of record owner.
OWNER/	Owner of record.

Auction File Response

NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
AUCTION
AUCTION COMP/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
AUCTION REFERENCE #1/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
DATE OF AUCTION/ XX/XX/XX VYR/ XX VMA/ XXXX VMO/ XXXX ODOMETER/ XXXXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
AUCTION COMP/	Name of the Auction Company in possession of the vehicle.
AUCTION REFERENCE/	Number assigned to the vehicle by the Auction Company.
DATE OF AUCTION/	Day the vehicle is scheduled for auction (mm/dd/yy or ccyyymmdd)
VYR/	Last two or four-digit model year of the vehicle.
VMA/	Vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
VMO/	Vehicle model as encoded in the NCIC tables.
ODOMETER/	Odometer reading as reported by the Auction Company.

Pre-Inspection File Response

NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
PRE-INSPECTION
PRE-INSP COMP/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSP DATE/ XX/XX/XX INSP REPT #/ XXXXXXXXXX
ODOMETER/ XXXXXXXX

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
PRE-INSP COMP/	The name of the company responsible for the pre-inspection.
INSP DATE/	The date of the pre-inspection (mm/dd/yy or ccyyymmdd)
INSP REPT #/	Inspection company file #
ODOMETER/	Odometer reading at time of inspection

Vehicle Claim Responses

NAR.(standard Nlets header)

NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01

VEHICLE CLAIM

MEMBER COMPANY/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	CLAIM NO/
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XX

INS PHONE/ XXXXXXXXXX

IMPACT POINT/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX (SEE REASONS BELOW)

MILEAGE/ XXXXXXXX

- RIGHT FRONT CORNER
- RIGHT FRONT SIDE
- RIGHT SIDE
- RIGHT REAR SIDE
- RIGHT REAR CORNER
- RIGHT CENTER
- LEFT REAR CORNER
- LEFT REAR SIDE
- LEFT SIDE
- LEFT FRONT SIDE
- LEFT FRONT CORNER
- FRONT CENTER
- ROLLOVER
- POINT OF IMPACT UNKNOWN
- TOTAL LOSS
- NON-COLLISION

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
MEMBER COMPANY/	The name of the company that reported the claim.
CLAIM NUMBER/	The number assigned by the insurance company
INS PHONE/	The telephone number of the filing insurance company office
IMPACT POINT/	The initial impact point of the vehicle according to the filed claim
MILEAGE/	The mileage at the time of the accident.

Rental File Response

NAR.(standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
RENTAL
RENTAL REFERENCE #/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
RENTAL COMPANY/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
ACTIVITY DATE/ XX/XX/XX
ACTIVITY REASON/ (SEE REASON BELOW)
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX *CUSTOMER*
NAME/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
ADDR/XX
VYR/ XX **VMA/** XXXX **VST/** XX **ODOMETER/** XXXXXXX
- VEHICLE ADDED TO FLEET
- VEHICLE MISSING
- VEHICLE NEVER LOCATED
- VEHICLE LOCATED
- VEHICLE TAKEN OUT OF FLEET

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
RENTAL COMP/	The name of the rental company.
RENTAL REFERENCE #/	The rental company's file #.
ACTIVITY DATE/	The date last action was taken on vehicle (mm/dd/yy or ccyyymmdd).
ACTIVITY REASON/	The reason the vehicle is on file.
NAME/	The name of the customer that rented the vehicle.
ADDR/	The address of the customer.
VYR/	Vehicle year (2 or 4 characters).
VMA/	The vehicle make as encoded in NCIC supplied tables.
VST/	The vehicle style.
ODOMETER/	The odometer reading at time of activity.

NICB Theft Response

The sample below illustrates a theft file.

```
NAR. (Standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456   MSG 01 0F 01
*THEFT*
NICB FILE#/XXXXXXXXXXXX
VYR/XX VMA/XXXX VMO/XXXX VST/XX
DATE OF THEFT/ XX/XX/XX  REPORTING ORI/ XXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY CLAIM #/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY NAME/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY LOCATION/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, XX
INSURANCE COMPANY PHONE/ XXXXXXXXXX
```

The sample below illustrates Vehicle Theft Recovery information.

```
NAR. (Standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456   MSG 01 0F 01
*THEFT (RECOVERY)*
NICB FILE#/XXXXXXXXXXXX
VYR/XX VMA/XXXX VMO/XXXX VST/XX
DATE OF THEFT/ XX/XX/XX  REPORTING ORI/ XXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY CLAIM #/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY NAME/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INSURANCE COMPANY LOCATION/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, XX
INSURANCE COMPANY PHONE/ XXXXXXXXXX
DATE OF RECOVERY/ XX/XX/XX  RECOVERING ORI/ XXXXXXXXXX
CONDITION OF RECOVERY/ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
```

Explanation of Fields

Entry	Explanation
CONDITION OF RECOVERY/	Condition of vehicle at time of recovery
RECOVERING ORI/	The 9 digit identifier of the recovering agency
REPORTING ORI/	The 9 digit identifier of the reporting agency

NCIC/CPIC Cancelled Records

NICB maintains NCIC canceled records online dating back to 1972. Both NCIC and CPIC have authorized the release of canceled records by NICB.

NAR. (Standard Nlets header)
NICB RESPONSE FOR VIN/1FABP10B7BF123456 MSG 01 OF 01
NCIC CANCELED
NICB FILE#/XXXXXXXXXX
VYR/XX **VMA**/XXXX **VMO**/XXXX **VST**/XX **VCO**/XXXXXXXX
NCIC#/XXXXXXXXXX MESSAGE KEY/XXXX
DATE OF THEFT/ XX/XX/XX **ORI**/XXXXXXXXXX **OCA**/XXXXXXXXXX
DOR/XX/XX/XX **PLACE OF RECOVERY**/XXXXXXXXXX
DATE OF RECOVERY/ XX/XX/XX
RECOVERING AGENCY CASE#/XXXXXXXXXX

27.4.3 NEI DATA ELEMENTS

States may enter impound records into the NICB Impound file via using the NEI transaction.

In addition to being added to the NICB Impound file, the VIN is compared to the NICB theft file. If a match is found, the hit is forwarded to the proper NICB division for processing and the entering agency notified.

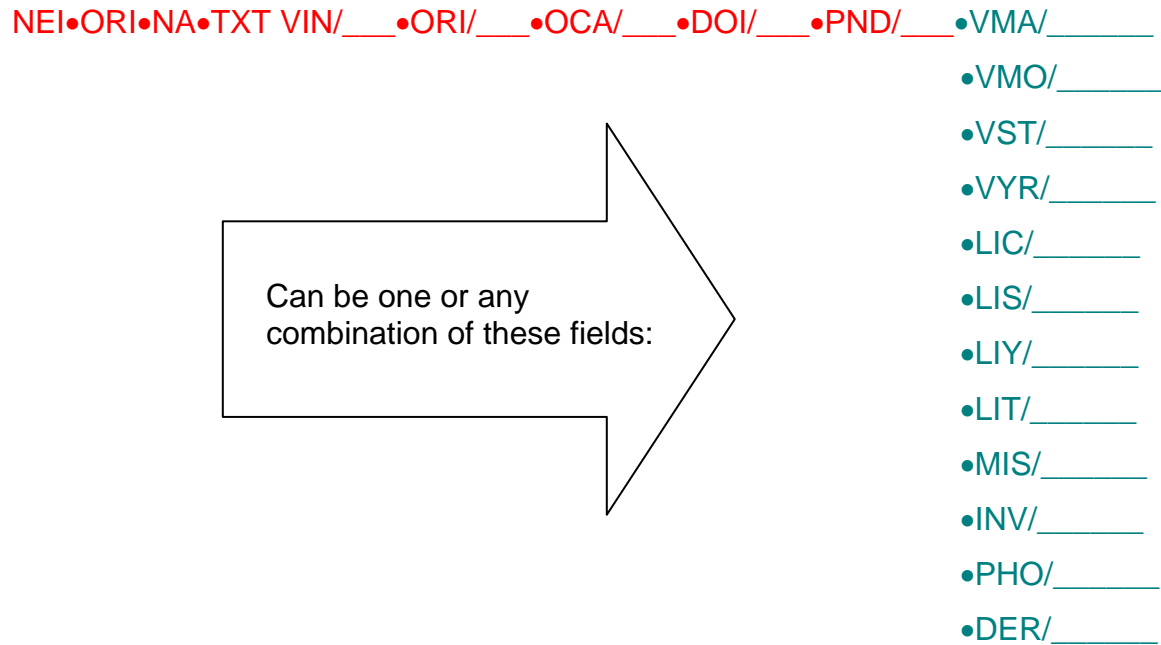
All new theft entries are checked against the Impound file; entering agencies are notified of the match for sixty (60) calendar days from the date of impound.



There may be occasions where the VIN does not pass the NICB edits; in these cases NICB quality control attempts to correct the error. Regardless if corrections are made or not the entering agency is notified.

The following are mandatory data elements:

Field	MFC
Message key	None
ORI of requesting agency	None
Destination	None
Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message	TXT
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)	VIN/
ORI of impounding agency	ORI/
Agency case number	OCA/
Date vehicle impounded	DOI/
Name of company/agency holding vehicle	PND/
Vehicle Make	VMA/
Vehicle Model	VMO/
Vehicle Year	VYR/
Vehicle Style	VST/
License plate	LIC/
License plate state	LIS/
License plate year	LIY/
License plate type	LIT/
Miscellaneous field	MIS/
Impound company / agency inventory number	INV/
Impound company / agency phone number	PHO/
Is vehicle a New York "Derelict"	DER/

27.4.3.1 NEI FORMAT



 Mandatory fields
 Optional fields

27.4.3.2 NEI ENTRY- EXAMPLE

```
NEI.AL0260200.NA.TXT VIN/JT3AC11R0P1999999ORI/AL0260100.OCA/YY-1234
.DOI/CCYYMMDD.PND/NLETS TEST TOWING COMPANY.VMA/TOYT.VMO/TK.VST/PK.VYR/1995.
LIC/FAT500.LIS/OR.LIT/PC.MIS/VEHICLE WAS LEFT ABANDONDED ALONG SIDE
ROAD.INV/1234.PHO/123-456-7890
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27.4.3.2.1 NEI RESPONSE - EXAMPLE

ENTRY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

IMPOUND RECORD ADDED
VIN/1234567891234567.FIL/12345678912

REJECT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

DUPLICATE IMPOUND RECORD ON FILE
VIN/1234567891234567.FIL/12345678912

27.4.4 NUI DATA ELEMENTS

The update transaction is used to add, modify and/or delete incorrect data form an impound record.

- To add or modify a data field, include the appropriate message field code (MFC) and a “ / “ followed by the new or modified information.
- To delete incorrect data include the appropriate message field code (MFC) and a “ / “ followed by an “ * “.

The following are mandatory data elements:



Field	MFC
Message key	None
ORI of requesting agency	None
Destination	None
Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message	TXT
NICB impound record number	FIL/
ORI of impounding agency	ORI/
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)	VIN/
Agency case number	OCA/
Date vehicle impounded	DOI/
Name of company/agency holding vehicle	PND/
Vehicle Make	VMA/
Vehicle Model	VMO/
Vehicle Year	VYR/
Vehicle Style	VST/
License plate	LIC/
License plate state	LIS/
License plate year	LIY/
License plate type	LIT/
Miscellaneous field	MIS/
Impound company / agency inventory number	INV/
Impound company / agency phone number	PHO/
Is vehicle a New York “Derelict”	DER/

27.4.4.1 NUI FORMAT

NUI•ORI•NA•TXT FIL_____•VIN/_____

•VIN/_____
•OCA/_____
•DOI/_____
•PND/_____
•VMA/_____
•VMO/_____
•VYR/_____
•VST/_____
•LIC/_____
•LIS/_____
•LIY/_____
•LIT/_____
•MIS/_____
•INV/_____
•PHO/_____
•DER/_____

Can be one or any
combination of these fields:

 Mandatory fields
 Optional fields

27.4.4.2 NUI UPDATE- EXAMPLE

MODIFIES VIN AND VMA

```
NUI.AL0260200.NA.TXT FIL/12345678901.VIN/JT3AC11R0P1999999  
.VIN/JT3AC11R0P1000000.VMA/TOYT
```

27.4.4.2.1 NUI RESPONSE - EXAMPLE

REJECT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

```
IMPOUND RECORD MODIFY  
FIL/12345678912
```

27.4.5 NCI DATA ELEMENTS



The NIQ transaction checks the NICB Impound and Export Files only. Responses indicate the vehicle that is subject of the query has been impounded, but does not tell whether or not the vehicle was claimed or remains on the lot. Records will only be returned if the query date is less than 60 days from the date of impound.

The following are mandatory query data elements:

Field	MFC
Message key	None
ORI of requesting agency	None
Destination	None
Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message	TXT
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)	VIN/
NICB impound record number	FIL/

27.4.5.1 NCI FORMAT

NCI•ORI•NA•TXT VIN/____•FIL_____

 Mandatory fields
 Optional fields

27.4.5.2 NCI CANCEL- EXAMPLE

NCI.AL0260200.NA.TXT VIN/JT3AC11R0P1999999.FIL/12345678901

27.4.5.3 NCI RESPONSE - EXAMPLE

IMPOUND RECORD CANCELED

27.5 NLETS AUTOMATED HELP FILE

Nlets does not provide an automated help file for NICB transactions. Questions regarding NICB queries should be directed to the NICB Headquarters office at 847-544-7000 or to the Nlets Control Center at 800-528-4020.

27.6 MESSAGE FIELD CODE DIRECTORY

Each message transaction is comprised of multiple data elements; this section provides the necessary information on data elements for this transaction. Each data element is identified by a specific field name. Each field name is abbreviated with a unique three-character code called a message field code (MFC). The MFC's are sorted alphabetically, then followed by a plain-word description of each. The number immediately following the description indicates the maximum number of characters allowed for that data element. Below the description line is text describing specific requirements for this field.

27.6.1 DER NEW YORK DERELICT VEHICLE - 1

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; Indicates if the vehicle is designated as a "New York Derelict Vehicle" If yes, enter the code: "Y".

- Optional in NEI, NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction

27.6.2 DOI DATE OF IMPOUND - 10

CONDITIONAL

Numeric only; date the vehicle was impounded – enter ccyymmdd format;

- Mandatory in NEI
- Optional in NEI, NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction

27.6.3 FIL NICB IMPOUND RECORD NUMBER - 11

CONDITIONAL

Numeric; unique record number assigned by the NICB system upon entry of an vehicle.

- Mandatory in NUI and NCI
- Not allowed in any other transaction

27.6.4 INV IMPOUND COMPANY / AGENCY INVENTORY NUMBER - 12

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric only; inventory number assigned by impounding company / agency;

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.5 LIC LICENSE PLATE NUMBER - 10

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric; License plate number of vehicle;

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.6 LIS LICENSE PLATE STATE - 2

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; state of license issuance - must be a state or country code from the State and Country Data Codes Section of the NCIC 2000 Code Manual.

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.7 LIT LICENSE PLATE TYPE - 2

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; license type - must be a valid type code from the Vehicle Data Codes Section of the NCIC 2000 Code Manual

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.8 LIY LICENSE PLATE YEAR - 4

CONDITIONAL

Numeric only; Four-character year of expiration of license plate.

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.9 MIS MISCELLANEOUS - 42

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric only; free text field to add notes

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.10 OCA ORIGINATING CASE NUMBER - 20

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric only; case number assigned by entering agency. Letters, digits, hyphens, and spaces permitted. Must be longer than one character. Cannot be all spaces, all zeros, or "NONE".

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.11 ORI ORIGINATING AGENCY IDENTIFIER - 9

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric only; note: an ORI is mandatory in all transaction immediately following the message key.

This instance of ORI is referring to the ORI of the agency impounding the vehicle. This ORI can be different than the ORI of the entering agency.

- Mandatory in NEI
- Optional in NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.12 PHO IMPOUND COMPANY / AGENCY PHONE NUMBER - 10

CONDITIONAL

Numeric only; telephone number of the company / agency having possession of the vehicle;

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.13 **PND** IMPOUND COMPANY / AGENCY NAME - **24**

CONDITIONAL

Alphanumeric only; name of the company / agency having possession of the vehicle;

- Mandatory in NEI
- Optional in NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.14 **VIN** VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER - **20**

MANDATORY

Alphanumeric only; vehicle identification number (VIN) of the impounded.

- Mandatory in all transactions

27.6.15 **VMA** VEHICLE MAKE - **4**

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; make of impounded vehicle. Must be a valid VMA code from the NCIC Code Manual.

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction

Automobile VMA codes are listed in Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual. NCIC publishes a generic make code for vehicles other than passenger cars for use when a code has not been assigned. The generic code for each vehicle make such as truck, trailer, etc., will always appear alphabetically listed under “unpublished” make codes in each section of Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual. The vehicle make code is composed of a minimum of two and a maximum of four alphabetic characters.

Every “assembled” automobile that does not have a manufacturer’s assigned VIN must be coded VMA/ASVE. An assembled automobile is one which is homemade or is rebuilt using components from different vehicles or from kits provided by a manufacturer for specialty cars and replicas.

Manufacturer-assembled replica cars and kits having a manufacturer’s assigned VIN must be assigned a unique VMA code, providing the name of the manufacturer is displayed on the assembled vehicle or kit. Users should enter these vehicles as follows: VYR/(MMDDYY), VMA/ (NCIC-assigned VMA code), VMO/REP, MIS/”REPLICA OF (make and model replicated). If an entry must be made prior to NCIC assigning a VMA code, the code ASVE must be entered in the VMA Field and the complete manufacturer’s name must be included in the MIS Field. If the manufacturer’s name is not displayed on the vehicle or kit, no VMA will be assigned and entry

must be as follows: VYR/(MMDDYY), VMA/ASVE, VMO/REP, MIS/REPLICA OF (year, make, and model replicated).

An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) is one vehicle that does not fit under any other NCIC VMA code and is designed to be driven over rough, difficult terrain including mud, sand, snow, rocks, etc. ATV records must be entered with VMA/ATV. An ATV may be used for both recreational and work-related purposes; however, items such as bulldozers, which are clearly construction equipment, should be coded as such. Users must include the manufacturer's name and a brief description of the vehicle in the MIS field, e.g., CUSHMAN-TRACKSTER, ARGO 8 WHEELS. Three or four wheeled motorcycles must be coded VMA/ATV.

Construction equipment VMA codes are listed in Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual. If a construction equipment make is not listed on these pages, the code COEQ must be entered in the VMA field. Enter the make of the construction equipment as the first item in the MIS field.

Every dune buggy make must be coded SPEC.

Motorcycle VMA codes are listed in Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual. If a motorcycle make is not listed, the code CYCL must be entered in the VMA field, and the manufacturer's name must be entered as the first item in the MIS field.

If a motorcycle is homemade (built from commercial, homemade, or altered parts that are personalized or customized), the code HOMD must be entered in the VMA field.

Three or four wheeled motorcycles that are street legal should be entered as motorcycles with the notation "3W-MOTORCYCLE" or "4W-MOTORCYCLE" in the MIS field. Three and four wheel motorcycles that are not street-legal are considered ATVs and should be entered with VMA/ATV. Off-road motorcycles and the other ATVs that have been licensed for street use should be entered with the VMA code listed in Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual, the VMO code CYL and the VST code MV.

Every snowmobile VMA must be the standard NCIC VMA code for all manufacturers.

Trailer VMA codes are listed in Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual. If a trailer make is not listed, the code TRLR must be entered in the VMA field. Enter the make of the trailer as the first item in the MIS field. If a trailer is homemade, the code HMDE must be entered in the VMA field. A homemade trailer is a trailer built from commercial, homemade, or altered parts that are personalized or customized. If a trailer is reconstructed, the code RCON must be entered in the VMA field. A reconstructed trailer is one that is assembled from parts of various similar vehicles and the parts are not altered or customized.

Truck VMA codes are listed in Part 8 of the NCIC code Manual. If a truck (including bus, motorized home, etc.) VMA is not listed, the code TRUK must be entered in the VMA field. Enter

the make of the truck as the first item in the MIS field. A reconstructed motor home must be entered with the code REMH in the VMA field. A reconstructed motor home is one that is assembled from parts of various similar vehicles and the parts are not altered or customized.

Caution must be used when using the NCIC Manual to determine the vehicle make, model and style codes. When the VMA code is chosen from the NCIC code Manual the matching model and style codes must also be used. An example would be the entry of a truck. The VMA, VMO and the VST codes must come from the truck section of each code category. Make, model, or style codes cannot be mixed.

27.6.16 **VMO** VEHICLE MODEL - 4

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; must be a valid NCIC VMO code from the Vehicle Data Codes chapter of the NCIC Code Manual.

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.17 **VST** VEHICLE STYLE - 2

CONDITIONAL

Alpha only; must be a valid NCIC VST code from the Vehicle Data Codes chapter of the NCIC Code Manual.

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.

27.6.18 **VYR** VEHICLE YEAR - 4

CONDITIONAL

Numeric only; manufacturer-designated model year of vehicle; use ccyy format.

- Optional in NEI and NUI
- Not allowed in any other transaction.